Vacancy Announcement



American Embassy, Ankara

SUBJECT: Vacancy Announcement NUMBER: VA-2015/46 DATE: December 07, 2015

OPEN TO: Current Employees under Chief of Mission Authority; US Citizen Eligible Family

Members (USEFMs), Eligible Family Members (EFMs), and Members of

Household (MOH) under Chief of Mission Authority – All Agencies under Chief

of Mission Authority

POSITION: Financial Assistant

OPENING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS: Opening of business on December 07, 2015

CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS: Close of business on December 21, 2015

WORK HOURS: Full-time, 40 hours per week

SALARY: Ordinarily Resident (OR) Training Level FSN-7 TL 56,521- Full Performance Level FSN-8 TL 74,152 p.a. (The salary is gross, deductions are made for the employee share for social security coverage and optional supplemental health benefits and tax is levied on any cash payment made by employer, including bonuses and allowances).

Not-Ordinarily Resident (NOR): Training Level: FP-7, Full Performance Level: FP-6 *Final grade/step for NORs will be determined by Washington.

NOTE: ALL ORDINARILY RESIDENT APPLICANTS MUST HAVE THE REQUIRED WORK AND/OR RESIDENCY PERMITS TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR CONSIDERATION.

The U.S. Embassy in Ankara, Turkey is seeking an individual for the Financial Management Assistant position in the Financial Management Center of the Embassy.

BASIC FUNCTION OF POSITION:

The incumbent is responsible for the development and execution of budgets for Diplomatic Security; is responsible for maintaining official records, generating management reports, auditing

compliance with internal controls and reconciling official records; incumbent provides a full range of financial management services; budget preparation and execution, maintenance of official accounting records, preparation of management reports, auditing internal control compliance, reconciliation of official records and other duties including recording payroll transactions for guards and reviewing for unliquidated obligations. This job requires independent monitoring that funds are disbursed in accordance with all pertinent regulations, on a five year rolling basis; during the fiscal year, continually monitors budgeted items against actual obligations, and are prepared to report on and explain deviations both to the line management and directly to the client portfolio for Embassy Ankara, Consulates Istanbul and Adana.

A copy of the complete position description listing all duties and responsibilities is available in the Human Resources Office. Contact HR Office at 457-7503.

QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED:

NOTE: All applicants must address each selection criterion detailed below with specific and comprehensive information supporting each item.

- A. Following are the MINIMUM qualifications for the FSN-8/FP-6 FULL PERFORMANCE LEVEL:
- 1. Education: Completion of minimum two years of college or university studies is required.
- 2. Work Experience: Minimum FOUR YEARS of progressively responsible experience in financial, budgeting or accounting areas.
- 3. Language: Level IV (Fluent) in Speaking/Reading/Writing English and Turkish are required. Language proficiency will be tested.
- 4. Other Criteria and Skills: Incumbent must have a thorough knowledge of USG budgeting and accounting, FSC Charleston processing systems as they relate to post activities, as sound through knowledge of the available guidelines, must be proficient in word processing and spreadsheet applications; needs some knowledge of all USG overseas agencies and how they operate, and their financial operations. The incumbent needs to know USG regulations regarding accounting and voucher payments. The incumbent must have good knowledge of USG laws and regulations as well as State Department and other agency regulations, procedures and policies as they pertain to voucher processing. The incumbent must be able to understand and interpret regulations, and to use a variety of computer applications. The incumbent must be available to work on after hours, evenings, weekends, early mornings, U.S. and Turkish Holidays as needed.

B. Following are the **MINIMUM** qualifications for the **FSN-7/FP-7 TRAINEE LEVEL:**

- 1. Education: Completion of minimum two years of college or university studies is required.
- 2. Work Experience: Minimum THREE YEARS of progressively responsible experience in financial, budgeting or accounting areas.
- 3. Language: Level IV (Fluent) in Speaking/Reading/Writing English and Turkish are required. Language proficiency will be tested.
- 4. Other Criteria and Skills: Incumbent must have some knowledge of USG budgeting and accounting, FSC Charleston processing systems as they relate to post activities, as sound through knowledge of the available guidelines, must be proficient in word processing and spreadsheet applications; The incumbent must be able to understand and interpret regulations, and to use a

variety of computer applications. The incumbent must be available to work on after hours, evenings, weekends, early mornings, U.S. and Turkish Holidays as needed.

SELECTION PROCESS

When fully qualified, U.S. Citizen Eligible Family Members (USEFMs) and U.S. Veterans are given preference. Therefore, it is essential that the candidate specifically address the required qualifications above in the application.

HIRING PREFERENCE ORDER:

- (1) USEFM who is ALSO a preference-eligible U.S. Veteran
- (2) USEFM OR a preference-eligible U.S. Veteran
- (3) FS on LWOP

ADDITIONAL SELECTION CRITERIA:

- 1. Management will consider nepotism/conflict of interest, budget, and residency status in determining successful candidacy.
- 2. Current employees serving a probationary period are not eligible to apply.
- 3. Current Ordinarily Resident (OR) employees with an Overall Summary Rating that is below 100 on their most recent Employee Performance Report are not eligible to apply.
- 4. Currently employed U.S. Citizen EFMs who hold a Family Member Appointment (FMA) are ineligible to apply for advertised positions within the first 90 calendar days of their employment.
- 5. Currently employed not-ordinarily resident (NOR) employees hired under a Personal Services Agreement (PSA) are ineligible to apply for advertised positions within the first 90 calendar days of their employment, unless currently hired into a position with a When Actually Employed (WAE) work schedule.
- 6. Military Service (for male applicants): Completion of compulsory military service is required.

TO APPLY

Interested candidates for this position must submit the following for consideration of the application:

- 1. Universal Application for Employment (UAE) as a Locally Employed Staff or Family Member (<u>DS-174</u>) that can be downloaded from http://turkey.usembassy.gov/job_opportunities.html; or
- 2. A current resume or curriculum vitae that provides the same information found on the UAE (see Appendix B); or
- 3. A combination of both; i.e. Sections 1 -24 of the UAE along with a listing of the applicant's work experience attached as a separate sheet; plus
- 4. Any other documentation (e.g. copies of elementary school diploma, ID card, military discharge, residence permit, document, essays, certificates, awards, copies of degrees earned) that addresses the qualification requirements of the position as listed above.

IMPORTANT: Applicants claiming a U.S. Veteran's preference must submit written documentation confirming eligibility (e.g., Member Copy 4 of Form DD-214, Letter from the Veteran's Administration, or certification documenting eligibility under the VOW Act with an expected discharge no later than 120 days after the certification is submitted) by the closing date of the vacancy announcement. If the written documentation confirming eligibility is not received in the HR office by the closing date of the vacancy announcement,

the U.S. Veteran's preference will not be considered in the application process. Specific criteria for receiving a U.S. Veteran's preference may be found in HR/OE's Family Member Employment Policy (FMEP).

The vacancy announcement published on the U.S. Embassy website supersedes all other announcements. Please note that the Human Resources Office no longer accepts applications delivered to the U.S. Embassy in person. All applications must be submitted via e-mail, fax or, mail, applicants should receive a confirmation e-mail which states that the application is received by the Human Resources Office. Applicants should contact Recruitment Assistant (see the contact information below), if they do not receive an auto reply confirming receipt of their application.

E-MAIL, FAX OR MAIL APPLICATION TO:

Human Resources Office

Attention: Recruitment Assistant American Embassy, Ankara, Turkey Telephone: (0090) (312) 457-7503

Fax: (0090) (312) 457-7322 E-mail: hrankara@state.gov

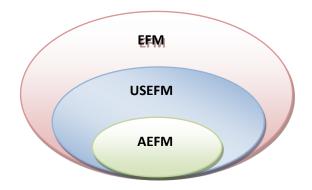
Please note: Short listing and interviews are normally completed within six weeks of the closing date. Please assume that your application has been unsuccessful if you have not heard from us within six weeks of the closing date.

CLOSING DATE FOR THIS POSITION: <u>CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON DECEMBER 21, 2015</u>

The U.S. Mission in Turkey provides equal opportunity and fair and equitable treatment in employment to all people without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, political affiliation, marital status, or sexual orientation. The Department of State also strives to achieve equal employment opportunity in all personnel operations through continuing diversity enhancement programs.

The EEO complaint procedure is not available to individuals who believe they have been denied equal opportunity based upon marital status or political affiliation. Individuals with such complaints should avail themselves of the appropriate grievance procedures, remedies for prohibited personnel practices, and/or courts for relief.

Appendix A DEFINITIONS



This diagram demonstrates how an Appointment Eligible Family Member (AEFM) is also a U.S.- citizen Eligible Family Member (USEFM) as well as an Eligible Family Member (EFM).

1. <u>Eligible Family Member (EFM):</u> An EFM for employment purposes is defined an individual who meets all of the following criteria:

- U.S. Citizen or not a U.S. Citizen; and
- Spouse or same-sex domestic partner (as defined in <u>3 FAM 1610</u>); or
- Child, who is unmarried and under 21 years of age or, regardless of age, is incapable of self-support. The term "child" shall include, in addition to natural offspring, stepchild, adopted child, and a child under legal guardianship of employee, spouse, or same-sex domestic partner when such child is expected to be under legal guardianship until 21 years of age and when dependent upon and normally residing with the guardian; or
- Parent (including stepparents and legally adoptive parents) of employee, spouse, or same-sex domestic partner, when such parent is at least 51 percent dependent on the employee for support; or
- Sister or brother (including stepsisters and stepbrothers, or adoptive sisters or brothers) of the employee, spouse, or same-sex domestic partner when such sibling is at least 51 percent dependent on the employee for support, unmarried, and under 21 years of age, or regardless of age, incapable of self-support; and
- Listed on the travel orders or approved Form OF-126 of a sponsoring employee, i.e., a direct-hire Foreign Service, Civil Service, or uniformed service member who is permanently assigned to or stationed abroad or, as appropriate, at an office of the American Institute in Taiwan; and
- Is under chief of mission authority.

2. <u>U.S. Citizen Eligible Family Member (USEFM):</u> A USEFM is an individual who meets all of the following criteria:

- U.S. Citizen; and
- Spouse or same-sex domestic partner (as defined in 3 FAM 1610) of the sponsoring employee; or
- Child of the sponsoring employee who is unmarried and at least 18 years old; and
- Listed on the travel orders or approved Form OF-126 of a sponsoring employee, i.e., a direct-hire Foreign Service, Civil Service, or uniformed service member who is permanently assigned to or stationed abroad or, as appropriate, at an office of the American Institute in Taiwan; and resides at the sponsoring employee's post of assignment abroad, or as appropriate, at an office of the American Institute in Taiwan; and is under chief of mission authority; or
- Resides at an Involuntary Separate Maintenance Allowance (ISMA) location authorized under 3 FAM 3232.2; or
- Currently receives a U.S. Government retirement annuity or pension from a career in the U.S. Foreign Service or Civil Service.

3. <u>Appointment Eligible Family Member (AEFM):</u> An AEFM is an individual who meets all of the following criteria:

- U.S. Citizen; and
- Spouse or same-sex domestic partner (as defined in 3 FAM 1610) of the sponsoring employee; or
- Child of the sponsoring employee who is unmarried and at least 18 years old; and

- Listed on the travel orders or approved Form OF-126 of a sponsoring employee, i.e., a direct-hire Foreign Service, Civil Service, or uniformed service member who is permanently assigned to or stationed abroad or, as appropriate, at an office of the American Institute in Taiwan (AIT); and
- Is under chief of mission authority; and
- Is residing at the sponsoring employee's post of assignment abroad or, as appropriate, at an office of the American Institute in Taiwan; and
- Does NOT currently receive a U.S. Government retirement annuity or pension from a career in the U.S. Foreign Service or Civil Service.

4. Member of Household (MOH): A MOH is an individual who meets all of the following criteria.

- A MOH is someone who accompanies or joins a direct-hire Foreign Service, Civil Service, or uniformed service member permanently assigned to or stationed abroad or, as appropriate, at an office of the American Institute in Taiwan; and
- A MOH must be officially declared to the COM by the sponsoring employee as part of his/her household; and
- A MOH is under COM authority;
- A MOH may include a parent, unmarried partner, other relative, or adult child;
- A MOH may or may not be a U.S. Citizen;
- A MOH is not an EFM;
- A MOH is not listed on the travel orders or approved Form F-126 of a sponsoring employee.

A MOH is under COM authority and may include a parent, unmarried partner, other relative or adult child who falls outside the Department's current legal and statutory definition of family member. A MOH does not have to be a U.S. Citizen.

5. Not Ordinarily Resident (NOR): An individual who meets the following criteria:

- An EFM, USEFM or AEFM of a direct-hire Foreign Service, Civil Service, or uniformed service
 member permanently assigned or stationed abroad, or as appropriate, at an office of the American
 Institute in Taiwan; or
- Has diplomatic privileges and immunities; and
- Is eligible for compensation under the FS or GS salary schedule; and
- Has a U.S. Social Security Number (SSN); and
- Is <u>not</u> a citizen of the host country; and
- Does not ordinarily reside in the host country; and
- Is <u>not</u> subject to host country employment and tax laws.

NOR employees are compensated under a GS or FS salary schedule, not under the LCP.

6. Ordinarily Resident (OR): An individual who meets the following criteria:

- A citizen of the host country; or
- A non-citizen of the host country (including a U.S. citizen or a third-country national) who is locally resident and has legal and/or permanent resident status within the host country and/or who is a holder of a non-diplomatic visa/work and/or residency permit; and/or
- Is subject to host country employment and tax laws.

EFMs without U.S. Social Security Numbers are also OR. All OR employees, including U.S. citizens, are compensated in accordance with the Local Compensation Plan (LCP).

Appendix B

If an applicant is submitting a resume or curriculum vitae, s/he must provide the following information equal to what is found on the UAE.

Failure to do so will result in an incomplete application.

- A. Position Title
- B. Position Grade
- C. Vacancy Announcement Number (if known)
- D. Dates Available for Work
- E. First, Middle, & Last Names as well as any other names used
- F. Current Address, Day, Evening, and Cell phone numbers
- G. U.S. Citizenship Status (Yes or No) & status of permanent U.S. Resident (Yes or No; if yes, provide number)
- H. U.S. Social Security Number and/or Identification Number
- I. Eligibility to work in the country (Yes or No)
- J. Special Accommodations the Mission needs to provide (Yes or No; if yes, provide explanation)
- K. If applying for position that includes driving a U.S. Government vehicle, Driver's License Class/Type
- L. Days available to work
- M. List any relatives or members of your household that work for the U.S. Government (include their Name, Relationship, & Agency, Position, Location)
- N. U.S. Eligible Family Member and Veterans Hiring Preference
- O. Education
- P. License, Skills, Training, Membership, & Recognition
- Q. Language Skills
- R. Work Experience
- S. References